IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the A	pplication of:) Group Art Unit: 3731						
Steph	en Porter) Confirmation No.: 6462						
Serial No.	: 10/695,151) Examiner: Houston, Elizabeth						
Filed: Octo	ober 27, 2003)						
	SO-OCCLUSIVE DEVICES BITU STIFFENING ELEMENTS)))						
TRANSMITTAL								
P.O. Box 14	er for Patents 50 VA 22313-1450							
Sir:								
1. Do	ocuments Enclosed:							
Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application are the following:								
☑ Request for Continued Examination (1 page);								
\boxtimes	Amendment and Response to final Office Action (15 pages);							
\boxtimes	Transmittal letter with Certificate of EFS Web Transmission and Request							
	for one month Extension of Time	. (2 pages).						

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

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April 27, 2007	/Nancy Rushton/
Date of Deposit	Nancy Rushton

2. Request for EXTENSION OF Time:

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136 apply.

Applicant(s) petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 [fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)] for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION (months)		FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	FEE FOR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
\boxtimes	one month	\$60.00	\$120.00
	two months	\$225.00	\$450.00
	three months	\$510.00	\$1,020.00
	four months	\$795.00	\$1,590.00
	five months	\$1,080.00	\$2,160.00

Fee \$120.00

If any extension fee is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

3. RCE FEES

RCE FEE: 37 CFR §1.17 (e)		\$790.00
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Extension of Time (from above)		
TOTAL FEES SUBMITTED HEREWITH		

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- The Commissioner is authorized to charge Vista IP Law Group LLP Account No. 50-1105 for any fees required under 37 CFR §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.445 that are not covered, in whole or in part, and to credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account No. 50-1105

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 27, 2007 By: __/David T. Burse/

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